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SUBJECT

~~Full Text~~ Interview with Senator Frank Church

ANNOUNCER: Senator Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, Chairman of the Select Intelligence Committee, here are the issues: Should there be criminal prosecutions of CIA officials as a result of the illegal acts your committee has uncovered? Has the Senate's investigation failed to pinpoint ultimate responsibility for assassination plots? Will you run for the Democratic presidential nomination at the conclusion of these hearings?

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ANNOUNCER: From Washington, D.C., Issues and Answers chief correspondent, Bob Clark.

BOB CLARK: Our guest is Senator Frank Church, Chairman of the Senate Select Committee investigating the CIA and other intelligence agencies. With me is ABC correspondent David Schoumacher, who's been covering that investigation.

Senator, the Director of the CIA, William Colby, said today he doesn't think anyone within the CIA could be convicted of any crime on the basis of any facts brought out so far in congressional investigations. Your hearings have uncovered a long list of illegal acts committed by somebody at the CIA. Is there going to be any criminal prosecutions?

SENATOR FRANK CHURCH: Well, that's up to the Justice Department. The Justice Department has asked for access to the committee files, and the committee is endeavoring to give the Department full access to information that we will turn up in the course of our investigation.

CLARK: Well, don't you agree that there have been many

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